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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

Notice of Opposition

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

Opposer Information

Name	Acorn Alegria Winery
Granted to Date of previous extension	01/25/2006
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Applicant Information

Application No	78497110	Publication date	09/27/2005
Opposition Filing Date	01/24/2006	Opposition Period Ends	01/25/2006
Applicant	Sweely Holdings, LLC 179 Acorn Hill Drive Madison, VA 22727 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 033.

All goods and sevices in the class are opposed, namely: Wine and potable spirits

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Applicant	Sweely Holdings, LLC 179 Acorn Hill Drive Madison, VA 22727 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

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Applicant Information

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Applicant	Sweely Holdings, LLC 179 Acorn Hill Drive Madison, VA 22727 UNITED STATES		

Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

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All goods and sevices in the class are opposed, namely: Wines and potable spirits

Attachments	Consolidated NoticeOpposition.pdf (3 pages)	
Signature	/Gregory N. Owen/	
Name	GREGORY N. OWEN	
Date	01/24/2006	

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In the matter of Trademark Applications

Sweely Holdings, LLC

78/497,107 78/497,110

Applicant:

Serial Nos.:

	78/497,114			
Filed:	October 8, 2004			
Marks:	ACORN HILL WINERY			
	ACORN HILL ESTATE			
	ACORN HILL VINEYARDS			
Published:	September 27, 200	05 at TM 1635		
Acorn Alegria Winery	y,)			
dba Acorn Winery)			
	Opposer,	CONSOLIDATED NOTICE OF OPPOSITION		
V.)			
Sweely Holdings, LLC				
	Applicant.			

Acorn Alegria Winery, a California corporation doing business as Acorn Winery, with a mailing address of P.O. Box 2061, Healdsburg, CA 95448-2061 ("Opposer"), believes it will be damaged by registration of the mark ACORN HILL WINERY, Serial No. 78/497,107, ACORN HILL ESTATE, Serial No. 78/497,110, and ACORN HILL VINEYARD, Serial No. 78/497,114 in Class 33, filed October 8, 2004 by Sweely Holdings, LLC ("Applicant") which are published

at TM 1635 of the *Official Gazette* of September 27, 2005, and hereby opposes the applications.

As grounds in support of its opposition, Opposer asserts as follows:

- 1. Applicant has filed a trademark application for the marks ACORN HILL WINERY, ACORN HILL ESTATE, and ACORN HILL VINEYARD for wines and potable spirits in International Class 33. Opposer objects to registration of the marks.
- 2. Opposer, since long prior to any filing date or date of first use upon which Applicant can rely, adopted and has continuously used the mark ACORN in association with wine in International Class 33. Opposer's constructive date of first use of the mark is January 24, 1994, the date of filing its federal application pursuant to Section 1(b) of the Trademark Act. Actual use of its ACORN trademark began as early as June 1996.
- Opposer is the owner of incontestable federal trademark registration
 No. 2,061,738 for the trademark ACORN dated May 13, 1997 for wine in International Class 33.
- 4. Opposer, since long prior to any filing date or date of first use upon which Applicant can rely, adopted and has continuously used the trade name ACORN WINERY in association with the production and sale of wine.
- 5. As a result of Opposer's advertisement, promotion, offering for sale and sale of wines using the ACORN trademark and ACORN WINERY trade name, the mark and name have become well and favorably known throughout the United States. Opposer has developed valuable goodwill with respect to its ACORN trademark and ACORN WINERY trade name.
- 6. Applicant's marks so resemble Opposer's previously used ACORN trademark and ACORN WINERY trade name as to be likely, when applied to Applicant's Class 33 goods set forth in the application, to cause confusion, mistake or deception within the meaning of Section

2(d) of the Trademark Act. Further, if Applicant is granted the registrations herein opposed, it would thereby obtain at least prima facie exclusive right to use its marks. Such registrations would be a source of damage and injury to Opposer.

For the reasons set forth herein, Opposer believes that the registration of the marks sought to be registered by Applicant in Class 33 will injure Opposer.

WHEREFORE, Opposer prays that the consolidated opposition be sustained and that registration be refused.

Respectfully submitted,

OWEN, WICKERSHAM & ERICKSON, P.C.

Date: January 24, 2006

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